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SUBJECT: VISIT OF SENATOR BROOKE

REF: (A) STATE 70440; PORT-AU-PRINCE 630

1. BROOKE AND ROSSITER ETA MONDAY APRIL 15, AA FLIGHT NUMBER 657 AT 1.12 PM. SCHEDULE SUGGESTED BY SENATOR'S OFFICE IS AS FOLLOWS:

MONDAY:

3:30 PM - BRIEFING BY EMBASSY PERSONNEL ON POLITICAL, SOCIAL AND COMMERCIAL CONDITIONS IN HAITI.

EVENING FREE

TUESDAY:

10:00 TO 10:45 AM - MEETING WITH OFFICIALS OF INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES.

11:00 TO 11:45 - MEETING WITH US/AID PERSONNEL.

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12:00 TO 12:45 - MEETING WITH VOLUNTARY AGENCIES PERSONNEL

1:15 TO 2:00 PM - MEETING AND LUNCH WITH OFFICIALS OF THIRD COUNTRIES INVOLVED IN AID PROJECTS IN HAITI.

2:15 TO 3:00 PM - MEETING WITH ANTONIO ANDRE, HEAD OF THE NATIONAL BANK OF HAITI.

8:00 - 10:00 PM - STAG DINNER WITH HAITIAN CABINET MINISTERS PRIMARILY INVOLVED IN US ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS PLUS OTHER MINISTERS OF POSSIBLE INTEREST TO THE SENATOR. FOREIGN MINISTER AND ECONOMICS MINISTER SHOULD BE SPECIFICALLY INVITED. SENATOR WANTS TO BE SURE THAT EVENING ENDS AT 10:00 PM.

WEDNESDAY:

INFORMAL BREAKFAST WITH AMBASSADOR ISHAM, SUBJECT TO HIS TIMING.

MORNING HELICOPTER VISIT TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS OF AID-SUPPORTED HAITIAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY HELP ORGANIZATION AT ANSE-ROUGE IN NORTHWEST HAITI.

12:30 - VISIT TO ALBERT SCHWEITZER HOSPITAL AT DESCHAPELLES (ALSO BY HELICOPTER), INCLUDING LUNCHEON, FOLLOWED BY VISITS TO ONE OR TWO AGRICULTURAL PROJECTS IN THE ARTIBONITE VALLEY.

SENATOR WANTS AFTERNOON AND EVENING FREE.

ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, ROSSITER WANTS CAR, PREFERABLY A JEEP FOR AFTERNOON AND EVENING. ROSSITER WANTS TO DRIVE DOWN NORTH AND SOUTH ROADS. SUGGEST HE BE ACCCOMPANIED BY APPROPRIATE OFFICIAL.

THURSDAY:

10:00 AM - CALL ON MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY TO DISCUSS CHARGES THAT HAITI IS IN DEFAULT ON SEVERAL CONTRACTS WITH US BUSINESSES.

11:00 AM - CALL ON PRESIDENT DUVALIER.

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12:30 - LUNCHEON WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF US FIRMS DOING BUSINESS IN HAITI. SENATOR BROOKE MAY WANT TO INVITE AN INDIVIDUAL IN PORT-AU-PRINCE TO ATTEND LUNCHEON. ROSSITER WILL ADVISE ON ARRIVAL.

1:30 PM - HELICOPTER FLIGHT TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AT COTES-DE-FER ON THE SOUTHERN PENINSULA OF HAITI,

RETURNING NO LATER THAN 3 PM.

5:15 PM - SENATOR BROOKE LEAVES ON AIR FRANCE FLIGHT 351 FOR SAN MARTIN. (WASH AWARE THAT AF IS NOW ON STRIKE BUT AIR FRANCE SAYS THEY WILL BE FLYING BY THEN).

6:00 TO 7:30 PM - ROSSITER - INFORMAL MEETING WITH INDIVIDUALS WHO MIGHT PLAY BONA FIDE OPPOSITION ROLE.

FRIDAY - ROSSITER

ROSSITER WOULD LIKE TO HAVE FULL ACCESS TO RECORDS REGARDING SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, MOTOR VEHICLES, ETC., PAID FOR BY US FUNDS. HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO HAVE MEETINGS WITH THE APPROPRIATE US AND HAITIAN OFFICIALS WHO HANDLE THE DISBURSEMENT OF US FUNDS. FURTHER DETAILS ON INFORMATION ROSSITER WOULD LIKE ACCESS TO WILL BE FORTHCOMING. HE IS INTERESTED IN INFORMING HIMSELF ON DISBURSEMENT METHODS AND PARTICULARLY HOW AID CAN CONTROL WHAT IS BEING PURCHASED WITH OUR FUNDS. WOULD LIKE TO LOOK AROUND Warehouses WHERE MEDICAL AND OTHER SUPPLIES ARE STORED. REQUEST THAT HE BE ACCCOMPANIED BY APPROPRIATE AID OFFICIAL.

ROSSITER REQUESTS THAT EVENING BE LEFT OPEN.

SATURDAY:

ROSSITER DEPARTS HAITI AT 9:20 AM ON PAN AM FLIGHT 436 TO MIAMI.

CODEL REPEATS REQUEST THAT INTERPRETER BE AVAILABLE. IF APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT DUVALIER CANNOT BE ARRANGED AT SUGGESTED TIME, CODEL PERFECTLY AMENABLE TO SCHEDULE JUGGLING AS BELIEVES THE APPOINTMENT EXTREMELY IMPORTANT.
IN EXPLAINING CHANGES IN EMBASSY'S ORIGINAL SCHEDULE,
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CODEL PREFERS ONLY ONE SCHEDULED DINNER, WISHINTG TO KEEP OTHER EVENINGS FREE, BUT WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO BREAKFAST INFORMALLY WITH AMBASSADOR ON OTHER MORNINGS OF STAY IF AGREEABLE.

SENATOR BROOKE AND MR. ROSSITER ACCEPT WITH MUCH PLEASURE AMBASSADOR'S INVITATION TO STAY AT RESIDENCE.

19 FT 510 FUNDS AUTHORIZED FOR SENATOR BROOKE AND MR. ROSSITER. KISSINGER

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